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**MINUTES OF THE ROCKVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING NO. 12-2015
Wednesday, June 24, 2015**

The City of Rockville Planning Commission convened in regular session in the
Mayor and Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, June 24, 2015

PRESENT
Don Hadley, Chair

Anne Goodman Charles Littlefield
Jack Leiderman Gail Sherman

Present: Marcy Waxman, Senior City Attorney
Andy Gunning, Assistant Director CPDS
Emad Elshafei, Chief of Traffic and Transportation
Bobby Ray, Principal Planner
Margaret Hall, Planner II
Kevin Belanger, Traffic and Transportation Planner
Katy Mencarini

I. REVIEW AND ACTION

Request for Street Name Change. At the request of Choice Hotels International, a proposal has been made to change the name of Renaissance Street, which is currently being constructed between Middle Lane and E. Montgomery Avenue in Rockville Town Center. Several options have been suggested by the applicant for consideration.

Margaret Hall presented the request for street name change and answered questions from the Commission.

Michael Lucik and Scott Carmen representing Choice Hotels stated that they are open to the street naming but would like to make sure that the name has some tie to the community by historical relevance. They also answered questions from the Commission.

Commissioner Leiderman moved, seconded by Commissioner Sherman, to defer the street naming to the July 22nd meeting. The motion passed 5-0-2 (Commissioners Hill and Tyner were absent).

II. WORKSESSIONS

- A. Comprehensive Master Plan Update – Presentation of the Transportation Report.** Staff will discuss the transportation scan with the Commission, which describes trends and data regarding transportation conditions in the City.

Katy Mencarini presented the Transportation Scan. She walked the Commission through the 53 page document and discussed the following: 1) Purpose and Role of the CMP Updates, 2) Walkthrough of Scan and 3) Discussion of the Scan and Transportation issues.

Emad Elshafei, Chief of Traffic and Transportation, presented the Transportation Report and he discussed the Rockville shuttle and BRT with the Commission.

The meeting recessed at 9:14 p.m. and reconvened at 9:27 p.m.

- B. Draft Bikeways Master Plan.** The draft bikeways plan will also be discussed and direction will be requested from the Commission. Kevin Belanger stated before his presentation that on the last Friday of the month he conducts a 4 mile bike ride around the City for staff and that he has revamped the City Bike Map. He presented background on what has been done with the Bikeways Master Plan.

III. COMMISSION ITEMS

- A. Staff Liaison Report –** Andy Gunning provided an update on the next meeting informing the Commission of: 1) a briefing on possible annexation into the City by the owners of the Carmax site on Route 355, 2) a briefing to APFS school changes, 3) the Draft Rockville Pike Plan Height Outline will come back for final review, and 4) the site plan review process will be brought back for the Commission's review.

David Levy informed the Commission of another Listening Session on July 7th for Planning Area 18 and again on July 9th at the Best Western for businesses along Piccard Drive and Research Blvd.

- B. Old Business -** None
- C. New Business –** Chair Hadley handed out a list of items the Commission has in the works as well as future topics of discussion
- D. Minutes -** None
- E. FYI Correspondence -** None

IV. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Planning Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandra Y. Driver, Commission Secretary